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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of ) Group Art Unit: 1632  
James M. Wilson et al )  
Appln No. 09/242,977 ) Examiner: J. Martin  
Filed: February 26, 1999 )  
For: METHOD FOR RECOMBINANT )  
ADENO-ASSOCIATED VIRUS- )  
DIRECTED GENE THERAPY )  
December 21, 2000

Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2000. A petition to extend the time for response for three months from September 21, 2000 to December 21, 2000 is being filed herewith. A copy is enclosed.

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 7, 16 and 17.

Amend claims 18 - 20 and 21 as follows.

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18 (Amended). ~~The composition~~ [recombinant AAV] according to claim 21 [17], wherein the [promoter is] rAAV further comprises a[n inducible] promoter.

19 (Amended). The ~~composition~~ [recombinant AAV] according to claim 21 [17], wherein the [promoter is] rAAV further comprises a constitutive promoter.

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